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BLM Seeks Public Comment on Environmental Assessment for February 2017 Oil and Gas Lease Sale

MOAB, UTAH—The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Utah Canyon Country District is seeking public comment on an environmental assessment (EA) analyzing the BLM's proposal to offer six parcels covering 6,741 acres in the Moab and Monticello Field Offices at the February 2017 oil and gas lease sale. The EA addresses issues raised during internal and external scoping such as air quality, wildlife, and the Old Spanish Historic Trail.

Specific information about the proposed parcels is included in the EA, which is now available for public review and comment. An electronic copy of the EA can be found online at: <http://go.usa.gov/xcQCh>. Comments can be submitted online through [ePlanning](#), under the "Documents" tab.

The public review and comment period closes at 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 17, 2016. Please note that the most useful comments are those that identify issues relevant to the proposed action or contain new technical or scientific information. Comments that contain only opinions or preferences will not receive a formal response, but may be considered in the BLM decision-making process.

Before including an address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in any comments, please be aware that the entire comment—including personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. Requests to withhold personal identifying information from public review can be submitted, but the BLM cannot guarantee that it will be able to do so.

For further sale-specific information, contact Sheri Wysong at (801)539-4067. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to leave a message or question with the above individual. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Replies are provided during normal business hours.

To learn more about BLM-Utah oil and gas lease sales visit:
http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/prog/energy/oil_and_gas/oil_and_gas_lease.html.

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700 million acres of sub-surface mineral estate throughout the nation. The BLM's mission is to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of America's public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations. In Fiscal Year 2015, the BLM generated \$4.1 billion in receipts from activities occurring on public lands.

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